

REMARKS

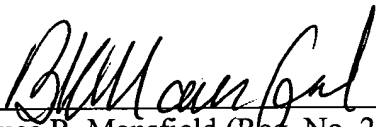
Claims 1-27 are now present in the application. The Office Action contained a six-way Restriction Requirement. Applicant has elected Species 1, FIGs. 1-9 drawn to a collapsible signaling device having a hollow mast and a slider member comprising a tube telescopically moveable within the mast, as called for in dependent claim 3. The second Species, FIGs. 10-20 is drawn to a collapsible signaling device wherein the slider member comprises a collar slidably mounted about the mast, as called for in dependent claim 2. Claim 1, from which claims 2 and 3 depend is accordingly believed to be generic to Species 1, FIGs. 1-9 and Species 2, FIGs. 10-20. Claim 11 is also believed to be generic to Species 1, FIGs. 1-9 and Species 2, FIGs. 10-20 in light of claims 21 and 22 which depend from independent claim 11.

With the above election and remarks, a complete response to the Office Action is believed to have been made. Early examination and allowance are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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